

Senate Resolution 930

By: Senators Douglas of the 17th and Mullis of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending CSX Transportation, Inc.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, CSX Transportation (CSXT) is part of the CSX Corporation, one of the nation's
3 leading transportation companies, providing rail, intermodal, and rail-to-truck transload
4 services, with service throughout 23 eastern states and the District of Columbia; and

5 WHEREAS, CSXT has entered into a public-private partnership with the State of Georgia
6 that provides greater protection to the citizens of this state; and

7 WHEREAS, called SecureNOW, the collaboration provides the Georgia Emergency
8 Management Agency Office of Homeland Security officials with access to CSXT's Network
9 Operation Workstation (NOW); and

10 WHEREAS, NOW is an on-line system, developed and used by CSXT, that allows state and
11 local public safety and law enforcement officials to independently track the location of
12 CSXT trains and the contents of rail cars being hauled by CSXT in Georgia; and

13 WHEREAS, this real-time monitoring application is a model being emulated by others states
14 on the CSXT rail system that ensures the security of this nation's freight rail system; and

15 WHEREAS, in addition to their NOW system, CSXT works with state and local law
16 enforcement officials in Georgia on joint rail security training and preparedness exercises and
17 provides 24 hour access to CSX rail security professionals; and

18 WHEREAS, the partnership and collaboration fostered by CSXT ensures the safety and
19 security of each Georgian and the company's diligence in protecting Americans is worthy of
20 recognition.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 commend CSX Transportation for its commitment to safe and secure railways and recognize
23 its amazing partnership with the State of Georgia that safeguards the public.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
25 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to CSX Transportation.